

We claim:

1-48. (Canceled)

49. (Previously presented) An antisense oligonucleotide made up of up to 50 nucleotide units complementary to nucleotides of a corresponding portion of the sequence SEQ ID No. 21 and which inhibits the expression of OB-RGRP, said antisense oligonucleotide comprising AS-14 (SEQ ID No. 2).

50-51. (Canceled)

52. (Previously presented) A composition containing the antisense oligonucleotide, as claimed in claim 49 and acceptable excipients.

53-54. (Canceled)

55. (Previously presented) The antisense nucleotide of claim 49 made up of up to 30 nucleotide units.

56-57. (Canceled)

58. (Previously presented) A composition containing the antisense oligonucleotide, as claimed in claim 55 and acceptable excipients.

59-60. (Canceled)